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An Account of the Trial of JOHN LANCEY *and* JOHN LLOYD, *for deſtroying the Ship* Nightingale, *in order to defraud the Inſurers.*

AT the Seſſions of the High Court of Admiralty, held at Juſtice Hall in the Old Bailey, on the twenty-fifth of *February*, *John Lancey*, and *John Lloyd*, were indicted for unlawfully burning and deſtroying the Ship *Nightingale*, *Thomas Benſon*, Eſq; Owner, on the high Seas, within the Juriſdiction of the Admiralty of *England*, with Intention to defraud *Robert Liddal*, *Samuel Touchet*, *George Rook*, and *Vincent Biſcoe*; and *Thomas Pow*, otherwiſe *Poe*, as an Acceſſary before the Fact, for counſelling, adviſing, &c. to commit the ſame, *Auguſt* the 4th, 1752.

This Indictment was ſupported by ſeveral Witneſſes; but it will be ſufficient to give that of *Richard Sennett*, which is as follows:

Richard Sennett. I was a Sailor on Board the Ship *Nightingale*; Eſquire *Benſon* invited me to enter myſelf as a Seaman on Board her, which I did, about 19 or 20 Months ſince: He told me to carry but very few Cloaths with me, and ſaid the Voyage was to be a very ſhort one, not above three Weeks or a Month; and ſaid he would not tell me then, but I ſhould know my Buſineſs farther, when I came to the Iſland. I aſſiſted in loading the Veſſel; there were 17 or 18 Bales of Goods; there were ſome Bales on Board on the Account of Capt. *Lee*.

Q. *What Converſation had you with* Benſon *on this Account?*

Sennett. Before the Ship ſailed, I was with him at a Place called *Boathead*. He told me there was a Hogſhead of dry Goods, which were to be put out of Sight of the Officers, who were to come there; which we put in the Rope Walk, till after the Officers had been there; then it was put on Board the Ship *Nightingale*, and laid on ſome Salt, where alſo were laid the Bale Goods. We had fifteen Convicts on Board. About the latter End of *July*, we arrived at the Iſland of *Lundy*, on a Thurſday; the Wind was at the Weſtward, and we were two Days turning to it. We ſtaid there till the Sunday Morning. During the Time of our ſtay there, there came a Boat on Board from *Lundy*, with *Marſhal*, *Magra*, and ſeveral People belonging to the Iſland. The Priſoner *Pow* was in the Cabbin, and *Lancey*. They called me there to them. *Bather* was coming out, when I was going in. *Pow* gave me a Note. *Shacſtone* was there alſo. I believe *Lancey* was gone out, when *Pow* gave me the Note and ſaid, Here is a Bill for you, if the Ship ſhould be loſt in her Paſſage outward bound to *Maryland*.

Q. *What were the Contents of it?*

Sennett. They were: *I promiſe to pay to* Richard Sennett *the Sum of* 45 *l. in Caſe the Veſſel is loſt in her Paſſage to* Maryland. He ſaid, You never ſaw ſo much Money together before; and the Voyage would not be long. He ſaid he would deliver the Notes to Captain *Marſhal*, that he might deliver them to our Wives, in Caſe we ſhould come to any Danger.

Q. *Were the Goods landed before, or after the Notes were given?*

Sennett. They were landed the Day after. The Boat went with them two or three times, with 17 or 18 Bales of Goods, and five or ſix Maunds of Paynter and Brais. There were a great many Caſks in the Hold, what were in them I know not. There were Tarpawlins hung up before the Convicts, on the Hatchway, that they ſhould not ſee the Goods taken out of the Veſſel. On the Sunday Morning we ſailed from *Lundy*. The next Day, about 18 Leagues from Shore, we met a Brig from *Philadelphia*; our Captain haled her, and aſked where ſhe came from, and ſent two Bottles of Wine and a Cabbage on Board her. She ſpoke with us; but was about a Leagues, or upwards, a-head of us, when Orders were given to deſtroy our Veſſel. When the Hole was boring in the Side of the Veſſel, Captain *Lancey* ordered me to go to a Caſk, where were ſome Combuſtibles, and cut it up, and take out what was to burn the Ship. Somebody had bored a Hole in her Side, for there was Water coming, when I went down to do as ordered. I went and cut the Hogſhead, and *Francis Schacſtone* cut it open. This was the ſame Hogſhead that Eſquire *Benſon* deſired me to put out of the Way of the Officers. There were in it Tar Barrels, Staves, and Wads of Oakam dipt in Tar. *Shacſtone* and I laid them abroad on the Salt. Captain *Lancey* had ſaid, when he gave me the Order to take them out of the Caſk, that ſhe would ſooner be deſtroyed by Fire, than any other Way.

Q. *Did he mention the Word Combuſtible?*

Sennett. He did. He alſo ſaid it was as good a Time to deſtroy her, as any Time. This he ſaid to me and others. Then there were Orders given by *Lancey* to ſome of the People to cut a Hole in the Bulk Head, near the Bread-Room.

Q. *Did you hear him give this Order?*

Sennett. I did. The Bulk-Head was even with the Place were the Salt lay. I went to cut a Hole, and cut my Leg with the Hatchet, the firſt Knock I gave againſt it. I came up, and told the Captain what a Misfortune I had had. It was done afterwards; but I do not know by whom.

Q. *How long after this was it that the Ship was on Fire?*

Sennett. She was on Fire about half an Hour after. Then the Captain went fore and aft the Deck, and aſked the Tranſports, If they had ſet Fire to the Ship? They anſwered they had not. Then he ordered to have them cleared directly; and the Mate was very induſtrious in clearing them. Then we went all Hands into the Boat.

Q. *Did you ſee* Lloyd *employed in any Thing about deſtroying the Ship?*

Sennett. No, I did not.

Q. *What Boat was it you all got into?*

Sennett. It was the Boat Mr. *Benſon* ordered for the Ship. She was full large for ſuch a Ship. The *Philadelphia* Man ſaw our Boat coming towards them, and ſaw the Smoke ariſing; and we had fired a Gun, by Order of the Captain. The Veſſel came towards us.

Q. *Did* Lancey *give any Orders, upon the breaking out of the Fire, to extinguiſh it?*

Sennett. No; when the Combuſtibles were light, we all ſaid, it was the beſt Way to fire a Gun, which Gun was loaded about two Hours before.

Q. *Who loaded her?*

Sennett. I did.

Q. *By whoſe Order?*

Sennett. By Captain *Lancey's* Order, before the Combuſtibles were light. He ſaid it was for the Ship to hear us, that was a-head of us. We were taken on Board the *Philadelphia* Ship, except ſome who tarried in the Boat alongſide her; two or three Days after which, we were landed in *England*, by the Aſſiſtance of a Fiſhing Boat.

Q. *When did you ſee* Benſon *after this?*

Sennett. I believe I ſaw him two Days after we got on Shore. He ſmiled, and ſaid, "So, *Dick*, the Work is done too quick; I had but juſt made an End of my Inſurance." He applied himſelf to me to make Proteſt of the Loſs of the Ship. About three Weeks or a Month after, the Priſoners were taken into Cuſtody, upon *James Bather's* Information. *Benſon* deſired us all to ſwear to the Proteſt. I went over to *Barnſtaple*; and, when I returned, the Captain and Mate, and my Brother *Sennett*, were taken into Cuſtody. *Benſon* ſaid, If I did not ſwear to the Proteſt, it would coſt the Captain his Life.

Q. *Was* Lloyd *one of the People that were in the Ship, and ſaved by the Boat.*

Sennett. He was. I believe he was concerned in launching the Boat. I was in Company with *Pow*, in the Iſland of *Lundy*, before the Ship ſet out. When he propoſed to me a Note for Money, I propoſed to have ten Pounds more; which was granted, and added to the aforeſaid Note and Writing on the Back; but did not ſay at what Time it ſhould be paid. That Note was carried on Shore on the Iſland.

Council for the Crown. We have many more Witneſſes to the Fact; but will only cloſe our Evidence with ſhewing the Policies.

Q. To *Edward Maund. Look at this Policy of Inſurance.*

He takes it in his Hand. This is an Inſurance for 400*l.*

Robert Lancey	—— ——	100*l.*
Samuel Touchet	——	100*l.*
George Rook	——	100*l.*
And *Vincent Biſcoe*	——	100*l.*

This was made out by Order of Mr. *Benſon*. He gave me Order, by Letter, to do it.

Q. *Do you know his Hand-Writing?*

Maund. I know it very well, and know this to be his Writing.

The Letter read in Court to this Purport:

Be pleaſed to inſure for me, on the Catharine *and* Nightingale, *upon the* Nightingale, John Lancey, *of* Appledore, *to* Maryland, 400*l.*

Sign'd, Tho. Benſon.

Q. *Did you have the Inſured?*

Maund. I had, [illegible] to this Order.

The Inſurance read, being in the common Form.

[The Purport of which is, the four Perſons above mentioned inſured 400*l.* upon the Ship *Nightingale*.]

Q. *How much is inſured on the Cargo of this Ship?*

Maund. There was 800*l.* at firſt; and 900*l.* by a ſubſequent Order.

Council for the Crown. We will not trouble your Lordſhip, and the Jury, with any other Policies. We have them to produce, to prove the Ship and Cargo were inſured to the Amount of two thouſand one hundred Pounds; but, this being ſufficient to ſhew the Intention of a Defraud, we will reſt it here.

The principal Objections that aroſe from Matter of Law, urged by the Council for the Priſoners, were in Favour of the Priſoner *Pow*; and were,

Firſt, Whether the Crime he was charged with is within the Juriſdiction of the Admiralty of *England*? That of a Perſon, as an Acceſſary, upon Land, to the burning of a Ship, and if that is committed afterwards on the high Seas, it was ſubmitted to the Court, whether he was not liable to be indicted at the Aſſize for the County where the Offence was committed; and that the Iſland of *Lundy* was in the County of *Devon*.

The ſecond was, That in the Statute upon which the Indictment was founded, the 11th of *George* I, cap. 21, the Words there as to his Crime, "It is, amongſt other Things enacted, That if any Owners of, or Captain, Maſter, or Mariner, or any other Officer, belonging to any Ship, ſhould, after the 24th of *June*, which ſhall be in the Year of our Lord, 1718, wilfully caſt away, burn, or otherwiſe deſtroy, the Ship of which he is Owner, or unto which he belongs, or in any Manner or Way direct, or procure the ſame to be done, to one, or of any Merchant, or Merchants, that ſhall load Goods thereon, he ſhall ſuffer Death." That this Clauſe does not run in general Words, but confined to Perſons either concerned as Owners or Mariners; and that *Pow* being a Taylor by Trade, and lived at *Appledore-Point*, in the County of *Devon*, and was neither Owner, Maſter, Captain, or Mariner, it was ſubmitted to the Court, Whether he could be found guilty of the Crime he was charged with.

Lancey's *Defence.* On the 28th of *July*, 1752, I was in the Iſland of *Lundy*, and lay there till the firſt of *Auguſt*, and took on Board Proviſions; but took nothing out of the Ship. As ſoon as the Wind

Wind presented, I sailed, and proceeded till Tuesday the second of *August*. The Ship, contrary to my Knowledge, took Fire; and had not the Boat been got out immediately, and we had no other Thing to have Recourse to, to save our Lives, we had been all lost. After we had been in the Boat about an Hour and half, we were taken up by Capt. *Nicholson*, to whom I had before given two Bottles of Wine and a Cabbage. Each of these Witnesses signed the Protest.

Lloyd's *Defence*. Whatever was acted on Board the Ship was a Secret to me; I know nothing of the Affair.

Pow's *Defence*. I know nothing of the Bills they charge me with. I never gave them such Orders as they have said. The Man that has swore against me is in my Debt.

They each called several Persons to their Characters.

And, the Evidence being closed for the Prisoners, the Council for the Prosecution replied to the Objections before mentioned by the Prisoners Council, to this Purport:

To the first, That no Person can set Fire to a Ship at Sea, that is not one of those, either Master, Captain, Mariner, &c. Therefore it is confined to them, in Point of Destruction, as the only Persons that can be considered as principal Felons; that is, in directing, advising, or procuring to be done; and it has come out, in the Nature of this Evidence, that the Master of this Ship did set her on Fire, because he ordered it to be done. If so, he is certainly indictable as a Principal, on this Act of Parliament. Then, if so, upon this Description of the Offence, then any Person that instigates, incites, or advises the Mariners on Board, to commit this Fact; in that Case he is Accessary before the Felony committed, at common Law; that being made so by the Statute; and therefore triable in this Court.

To the second, That if the Iniquity, *Pow* was charged with, had been committed in the Body of the County of *Devon*, or any other County in the Kingdom, there would have been some Colour for that Objection; but the Notes were given by him in the Cabin of the Ship *Nightingale*, as she was riding at Anchor in the Road of *Lundy*, where the Tide has it's Flux and Reflux; which is the same as if she had been ever so many Leagues from Shore; and is certainly triable in the Jurisdiction of the High Court of Admiralty, for inciting, moving, instigating, stirring up, persuading, and advising, &c. &c.

The Jury withdrew, and soon returned with this Verdict: Lancey, *Guilty, Death*. Lloyd *acquitted*. *And* Pow, *before the said Felony was committed by* Lancey, *near the Island of* Lundy, *did incite, move, instigate, stir up, and counsel the said* Lancey *to commit the same; but they found him neither Owner, Captain, or Mariner; and so referred it to the Judge of the Court.*

(Continuation of the ASSEMBLY AFFAIRS begun in N°. 471.*)*

Monday, *May* 20, 1754.

ON a Motion Leave was given to bring in a Bill,——*To make it Penal to Counterfeit the Bills of Credit of* Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey, *or the Three Lower Counties on* Delaware-Bay, *or Tender the same in Payment in this Province, knowing them to be such.* And for a Bill,——*To adjourn the Provincial Court.*

Post Meridiem. A Report from the Committee to Inspect the Paper Currency Office, was brought in and read.

A Bill,——*For issuing Writs of Replevin out of County Courts*; And a Bill,——*To adjourn the Provincial Court*; had a first Reading: Then, the last mentioned, had a second Reading (by especial Order,) passed, and was sent up.

The House adjourn'd.

Tuesday, *May* 21.

The Bill,——*For issuing Writs of Replevin*; had a second Reading, passed, and was sent to the Upper House.

A Report from the Committee of Grievances, relating to the Growth of Popery in this Province, was brought in and read; setting forth, "That "several Papists in *St. Mary's* County had lately made great Opposition to the enlisting Men "for his Majesty's Service, in Order to march to "the *Ohio*, to repel the Invasion of the *French*, "and *Indians* in Alliance with them, and offered "many Insults to the Recruiting Officer," &c. [*To which was annexed the Deposition of* John Wills *Serjeant in the* Virginia *Regiment, and Others; and likewise a Letter from Col.* Fry.]

The Bill,——*For Adjournment of the Provincial Court*, was brought down from the Upper House, with a Negative.

Post Meridiem. The Bill,——*For his Majesty's Service*, was brought down from the Upper-House, with some proposed Amendments.

The Report (brought in in the Morning) was again Read, and unanimously concur'd with; and an Address to his Excellency thereon, was ordered to be prepared.

Leave was given to bring in Bills,——*To ascertain Fees to the Justices of the County Courts, in lieu of the present Allowance of* 80 *lbs. of Tobacco.* And,——*For the Security of his Majesty's Dominion, and to prevent the Growth of Popery within this Province.*

The House adjourn'd.

Wednesday, *May* 22.

The Bill,——*To prevent the Growth of Popery*; was brought in, and had a first Reading.

On reading and considering the Amendments proposed by the Upper House to the Bill,——*For his Majesty's Service*; the House agreed to several of them; and *Ordered*, that a Message be prepared to be sent to the Upper House, to propose a Conference between the two Houses on the said Bill.

Five Members appointed to prepare the said Message.

Post Meridiem. The Committee of Accounts were ordered to close the Journal of Accounts, to the 23d Instant.

The House adjourn'd.

Thursday, *May* 23.

The Message proposing the Conference, was brought in, approved of, and sent to the Upper House.

A Message from the Upper House, in Answer thereto, was brought down; naming Two of the Gentlemen of that House as Conferees, to join those which should be named by the Lower-House, in a Conference on the morrow Morning.

A Message was sent up, from the Lower House, naming six of the Gentlemen of the Lower House, as Conferees, to join those of the Upper House, at the Time appointed.

Post Meridiem. On the second Reading of the Bill, ——*To prevent the Growth of Popery*, the Question was put, Whether that Part of the Bill which relates to Conveyances made subsequent to the first of *October* 1751, shall be altered, or not? Carried in the Negative. Nays 31. Yeas 20.

After reading the said Bill throughout, the Question was put, Whether it should pass, or not? Carried in the Affirmative. Yeas 32. Nays 18.

Then the Bill was sent to the Upper House.

The House adjourn'd.

Friday, *May* 24.

On reading the Report of the Committee for finding Ways and Means to raise a Fund for the Establishment of a Seminary, the House concur'd therewith.

The same Committee were ordered, to peruse the Will of Col. *William Whittington*, of *Somerset* County, Deceased, relating to his Devise of Lands to be sold and appropriated for the Education of Youth.

Resolved, That the House will not take into Consideration, any new Business, this Session, after To morrow.

Post Meridiem. The Bills,——*For granting Fees to the Justices*, &c. ——*To make it Penal, to Counterfeit or Pass, the Bills of the neighbouring Governments*; ——And, *Additional Supplementary to the Act for amending the Staple*; had a first Reading.

The House adjourn'd.

Saturday, *May* 25.

On the second Reading of the Bill,——*For granting Fees to the several Justices*, &c. the Question was put, Whether the following Amendment, [That the Justices of the several County Courts shall be allowed in the County Levy *per Diem* Fees for sitting in Court, and the Tax upon Suitors be assessed in Tobacco and applied to the Credit of the County,] shall be made to the Bill, or not? Carried in the Negative. Nays 36. Yeas 12.

After Reading the Bill throughout, on the Question, Whether it should Pass, or not? it was carried in the Negative. Nays 25. Yeas 23.

His Excellency the Governor communicated the following Message, *viz.*

Gentlemen of the Lower House of Assembly,

THOUGH I learn that the Conferees from the Upper and Lower Houses, have not been able to agree on Means for raising such Supplies as both Houses have thought expedient, for supporting the neighbouring Colonies against their and our formidable Enemies; yet your Professions at the Beginning of this Session, make me indulge myself with the Hopes of finding you disposed to comply with my present Request, by making some immediate and separate Provision for the *Indian* Allies.

As the Day appointed for the Interview is so near at Hand, you must be sensible that the least Delay, will absolutely make it impossible for me to obey their Lordships Instructions, which, I hope, will sufficiently justify this so earnest a Recommendation. HOR°. SHARPE.

Post Meridiem. The House taking into Consideration his Excellency's Message,

Resolved, That a Sum of Money, to Answer the Request of his Excellency made therein, be provided for by an Ordinance to take Money out of the Treasurers Hands, to make an immediate Provision for the *Indian* Allies.

Ordered, That the Committee of Laws prepare a Message to be sent to the Upper House, to request them to join in such Ordinance.

Then the Question was put, Whether *Current* Money, or *Sterling* Money, be taken out of the Treasurers Hands for a Present to the Allied *Indians*? Carried for *Current* Money. Yeas 21. Nays 18

Then the House adjourn'd till Monday.

LONDON, *March* 30.

LETTERS from Paris advise, that the Ship Ascension, commanded by Capt. Prepaud, who was killed in cold Blood by the Algerines after he had struck to them, was released the 8th of February with all the Crew; so that they now begin to presume the Youlon Squadron will not be employed against Algiers.

The King has been pleased to appoint Mr. Trevor Corry, to be his Majesty's Consul to the Republic of Dantzick, in the Room of Archibald Gibson, Esq;

Yesterday it was reported that the Right Hon. the Earl Gower has resigned the Office of Lord Privy Seal.

And that his Grace the Duke of Marlborough was appointed Lord Privy Seal in his Lordship's Room.

We hear that Mr. Legge, Lord Dupplin, Lord Barnard, and Mr. Nugent, are appointed Lords of the Treasury; and the first of these Gentlemen, Chancellor of the Exchequer.

That Sir George Lyttelton, is appointed Cofferer to his Majesty's Household.

George Grenville, Esq; Treasurer of the Navy.

John Campbell, Esq; Lord Lyon, King at Arms for Scotland.

Charles Townshend, Esq; one of our Lords of the Admiralty.

Lord Hillsborough, Comptroller of the Household.

Lord Barrington, Master of the Wardrobe.

Richard Edgcumb, Esq; and Thomas Pelham, Esq; Lords of Trade and Plantations.

Yesterday the Right Hon. William Pitt, Esq; Pay-Master of his Majesty's Forces, was said to lie at the Point of Death, at his Apartments in the Pay Office, Whitehall; and at Night it was reported he was dead.

We are assured that the Difference between our Court and that of Brance, in regard to the new Works carried on at Dunkirk, is accommodated in a satisfactory Manner to both Powers.

It is said that the French have erected five Forts on the Tract of Land seized by them on the Back of Virginia; and that the People of Virginia had taken up Arms, and were preparing to march against them.

Thomas Pitts, Esq; Member of Parliament for Oakhampton, is appointed Governor of South-Carolina.

St. James's, March 23. *His Grace the Duke of Newcastle having this Day resigned into the King's Hands, the Seals of the Office of one of his Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, the King has been pleased to appoint the Right Hon. the Earl of Holdernesse, to succeed his Grace as Secretary of State for the Northern Department, and to appoint Sir Thomas Robinson, Knight of the Bath for the Southern Department. His Grace has been Secretary of State almost thirty Years. He resigned the Place of Lord Chamberlain of the Household, April 2, 1724, and the 8th of the same Month was by his late Majesty appointed Secretary of State.*

CHARLES-TOWN, in South Carolina.

April 16. *This Day Mr.* Tucker *met with a Sloop at Anchor off* Capers's *Island, about* 15 *Miles N. E. of our Bar, without so living Creature on board; but looking towards the Shore, saw some People on the Beach, to whom he went in his Canoe: One of them pretended to be the Master of the Sloop, who said he was the only one there belonging to the Vessel, for that his Mate and People were gone to* Charles-Town *some Time; upon which Mr.* Tucker *told him, he was a Rebel, and offered (with some of*

of the People out of the Pilot Boat) to bring the Sloop in here, but the pretended Captain (who also pretends to own the Veſſel with the Mate) then would not conſent to have her brought away, ſaying ſhe was bound for Port Royal; *upon which the Pilot came away. He deſcribes the Sloop as* North-America *built, about 40 Tons Burthen, ſheathed, ſeemingly old, with Part of one of her Sides beat in, and having a Quantity of Staves on board. A Mulatto Fellow and a Negro, brought to the Work Houſe on the 14th Inſtant, upon Suſpicion of being Runaways, ſay they are free Men, and belonged to a Sloop from* Barbadoes, *one* William Wilſon *Maſter, caſt away upon* Capers's Iſland; *which muſt be the Sloop above mentioned, but Mr.* Tucker *ſays, ſhe is riding at Anchor in ſmooth Water, where ſhe may eaſily be brought away; yet, where the firſt Eaſterly Wind may drive her aſhore and beat her to Pieces. We are told ſhe has lain there about* 10 *Days.* [This Sloop, is undoubtedly the ſame which was run away with from *Annapolis*, in *March* laſt, belonging to Mr. *Patrick Creagh*, when the Maſter, Capt. *Curtis*, was murdered in the Bay, by the Crew, which then conſiſted of two White Men, and the Mulatto *Toney*, who afterwards decoyed one other White Man, and a Negro, with whom they went off.]

PHILADELPHIA, *May* 9.

Tueſday laſt the Ship Ariana, Capt. Kennedy, arriv'd here from Londonderry, by whom there is Advice, that Capt. Smith, in the Devonſhire, from New-York, was arriv'd there, and had met with ſtormy Weather on his Paſſage, in which he loſt his Boltſprit, and was obliged to throw overboard Part of his Cargo: That in Lat. 56 N. he (Smith) took up all that were left of the People of the Ship Diligence, William Dixon Maſter, bound to Whitehaven from Choptank in Maryland, viz. The Captain, Mate, Supercargo, one Foremaſt man, and two Boys; the reſt, ſeven in Number, being drown'd; which Ship, after being four Weeks at Sea, loſt her Maſts in a Gale of Wind, had every Thing ſwept off of her Decks, and when met with by the Devonſhire there was four Feet Water in her Hold; ſo that it was ſuppoſed ſhe muſt have ſunk ſoon after they left her. The Hands were quite worn out with Fatigue, having been eight Weeks in a moſt diſmal Condition; and the Supercargo was ſo ſpent, that he died 3 Days before Capt. Smith got in.

ANNAPOLIS.

Friday laſt Mr. Beale Howard, *a young Man, going up* Patapſco *in a Sloop, in a ſudden Squall of Wind, was jirk'd overboard by the Fore Sheet, and drowned.*

Since our laſt arrived in Patapſco, *the Brigantine* Charles, *Capt.* Jacob Walters, *from* London, *with* 45 *Indented Servants.*

On Saturday laſt they were firing ſome Swivel Guns on board Capt. Walters, *in* Patapſco, *and at* Henry Cary, *one of the Hands was ramming down the Powder into one of them which had juſt before been fired, it went off, and kill'd him on the Spot.*

The Hon. BENJAMIN TASKER, *junior, Eſq; and Major* ABRAHAM BARNES, *are appointed Commiſſioners to go to the Treaty with the* Indians *at* Albany *in* June *next, with the Preſent of* 500 *l. from this Province; and we hear they will ſet off To-morrow, or next Day.*

This Afternoon his Excellency the Governor prorogued the General Aſſembly of this Province to the 16*th of* July *next.*

By his EXCELLENCY

HORATIO SHARPE, Eſq;

GOVERNOR and Commander in Chief in and over the Province of MARYLAND

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS I have received Information, by the Depoſition of *John Willis*, a Serjeant in the *Virginia* Regiment, and Others, That a certain *Gerard Jordan*, junior, of *St. Mary's* County, hath been guilty of obſtructing the raiſing his Majeſty's Levies, drinking the Pretender's Health, and ſeveral other diſloyal and illegal Practices:

And that a certain *Joſeph Broadway* of the ſaid County, hath been aiding and aſſiſting to the ſaid *Gerard Jordan* therein:

I have, therefore, thought fit, with the Advice of his Lordſhip's Council of State, to iſſue this my Proclamation, hereby promiſing a Reward to any of his Majeſty's Subjects within this Province (Officers excepted), of the Sum of TWENTY POUNDS Current Money, for apprehending and bringing to Juſtice the ſaid *Gerard Jordan*; and alſo a Reward of the Sum of TEN POUNDS like Money, for apprehending and bringing to Juſtice the ſaid *Joſeph Broadway*: And I do hereby ſtrictly charge and require all his Lordſhip's Officers, Civil and Military, within this Province, to be aiding and aſſiſting in the apprehending the ſaid *Gerard Jordan*, junior, and *Joſeph Broadway*, ſo that they may be brought to Juſtice for the ſame.

GIVEN at the City of *Annapolis*, this 30th Day of *May*, in the 4th Year of his Lordſhip's Dominion, *Annoque Domini* 1754.

HOR°. SHARPE.

J. Ross, Cl. Con.

CASH for BILLS of EXCHANGE. Enquire of the Printer of this Paper.

TO BE SOLD,

A TRACT of Land, lying in the Fork of *Gunpowder* River, in *Baltimore* County, containing Two Hundred and Thirty-two Acres, for Currency, Sterling, or Gold.

Whoever is inclinable to purchaſe the ſame, by applying to Mr. *Roger Boyce*, or Mr. *William Young*, in the ſaid County, or to Capt. *Walter Smith* in *Calvert* County, may be ſatisfied as to the Quality, Price, and Title. *Col. Plater.*

Upper Marlborough, May 24, 1754

To be Leaſed into Lots, to contain One Hundred Acres each, for any Term not exceeding Twenty one Years,

SEVENTEEN Hundred Acres of good Tobacco Land, ſituate in *Frederick* County, on the Waggon Road between the Mouth of *Manockaſy* and *Seneca* Bridge.

For Terms apply to

John Hepburn.

ALL Perſons indebted to the Eſtate of Capt. *Joſeph Cowman*, late of *Anne-Arundel* County, deceaſed, are deſired to come and pay off their reſpective Ballances, to prevent Trouble; and all thoſe who have any Demands againſt the ſaid Eſtate, are deſired to bring them in legally proved, and they ſhall be immediately paid, by

Joſeph Cowman, Executor.

STOLEN out of the Subſcriber's Pocket, on the 20th of *March* laſt, at the Houſe of Mr. *Slay's*, at *Frederick Town* in *Frederick* County, a Silver Watch, mark'd I G on the Out Caſe, N°. 2842. with a Key and Silver Seal; the Maker's Name forgot; and has a Silver Caſe Inſide to cover the Works.

Whoever brings the ſaid Watch to the Subſcriber, at *Upper Marlborough*, ſhall have Five Pounds Reward, on Conviction of the Thief, or Twenty Shillings Currency for the Watch alone, and no Queſtions aſk'd.

John Gibſon.

RAN away from the *Buſh* River Iron Works, in *March* laſt, a *Scotch* Servant Man, named *Archibald Hambleton*; he is a very luſty tall Fellow, ſtoops a little in the Shoulders, and turns in his Toes as he walks, and is very freckled in the Face and Hands, and ſlow of Speech. He had on when he went away, a coarſe white Linnen Shirt, a coarſe Cotton Jacket, and an old Felt Hat.

Whoever ſhall take up the abovementioned Servant, and ſecure him, ſo that his Maſter may get him again, ſhall have Two Piſtoles Reward.

Benjamin Welſh.

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of *Daniel M'Coy*, in *Frederick* County, taken up as a Stray, a Dun colour'd Mare, about 12 Hands high, branded on the off Shoulder with the Letter A, and on the off Buttock with the Letters A B, has a ſmall Star in her Face, and her near hind Foot white: She had about her Neck a Bell of about 3 Shillings Price.

The Owner may have her again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of *James May*, in *Dorcheſter* County, taken up as a Stray, a ſmall Grey Mare, branded on the near Shoulder with the Letter S, and on the near Buttock with a Figure of 7.

The Owner may have her again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

RAN away on the 20th of *May*, from the Subſcriber, in *Queen Anne's* County, a Servant Man, named *Robert Wharton*, an *Engliſhman*; he is a luſty well ſet Fellow, of a dark Complexion, has grey Eyes, reddiſh ſandy colour'd Eye-Brows and Hair (but it is ſuppoſed he has cut off his Hair), has a ſmall Scar near the end of his Noſe, cut with a Sword. Had on when he went away, an old Felt Hat, a Worſted Cap, a ſhort blue Jacket, a ſmall ſtriped one under it, an Oſnabrigs or Check Shirt, and a Pair of Oſnabrigs Trowſers; but has neither Shoes nor Stockings.

Whoever takes up the ſaid Servant, and ſecures him, ſo that his Maſter may get him again, ſhall have Twenty Shillings Reward, beſides what the Law allows, paid by

John Davis.

RAN away from the Subſcriber, living in *Charles* County, on the 27th of this Inſtant, a Servant Man, named *Iſaac Sheffield*, a Plaiſterer and Painter by Trade; he is a well ſet Man, about 5 Feet 4 Inches high: Had on when he went away, an Olive colour'd Coat, lined with red, a brown Duffel Jacket, lined with the ſame Colour, and Leather Breeches, very dirty with Paint and Greaſe. He has a Scar under one of his Eyes, and mark'd on his Arms with our Saviour on the Croſs, and a little Girl.

Whoever takes up the ſaid Servant, and ſecures him, ſo that his Maſter may have him again, ſhall have a Piſtole Reward, beſides what the Law allows, paid by

James Plant.

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of *Samuel Prather*, in *Prince George's* County, near *Bladenſburg*, taken up as a Stray, a Cheſnut Roan Gelding, about 12 Hands high, branded on the near Buttock H B, has a large Blaze in his Face, two large white Spots on each Side of his Withers, and his Feet white. The Owner may have him again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is in the Poſſeſſion of *Thomas Howard*, ſenior, near *Annapolis*, taken up as a Stray, a ſmall Black Mare, branded on the near Buttock with a Hook, about 5 Years old, not well broke, and can gallop and trot. The Owner may have her again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of *Edward Knot*, in *Talbot* County, taken up as a Stray, a ſmall Bay Mare, about 9 or 10 Years old, low in Fleſh, has a ſmall Blaze in her Face, a Snip on her Noſe, a white Spot before her Shoulder on the riſing Side, a white Spot on each Side behind her Shoulders, her off hind Foot white, a long Tail, and cannot ſee out of one Eye.

The Owner may have her again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of *William Oakeys*, near the Middle Ferry in *Worceſter* County, taken up as a Stray, a middle ſiz'd Sorrel Horſe, in good Order, has a Blaze from his Forehead to his Noſe, a ſmall white Spot on his near Noſtril, two white Saddle Spots on each Side of his Back, and his Mane cut; but has no perceivable Brand.

The Owner may have him again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of Mrs. *Jane Friſby*, in *Kent* County, taken up as a Stray by *Richard Friſby*, a Roan Horſe, about 14 Hands high, branded on the near Buttock with a blind Brand ſomewhat like a P, has a Blaze in his Face, three white Feet, and paces pretty well.

The Owner may have him again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges, by applying to *Richard Friſby*.

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of *John Welſh*, in *Anne Arundel* County, taken up as a Stray, a very ſmall Bright Bay Horſe, has a hanging Mane, a Sprig Tail, a Blaze in his Face, and appears to be branded with a Woman's Stirrup.

The Owner may have him again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

DESERTED from the *Virginia* Regiment, the 8th Day of *May*, the following Men, *viz.*

Thomas Locker, born in *Maryland*, 26 Years of Age, 5 Feet 6 Inches high, of a pale Complexion, with dark Hair, and is well made, and active. He had on a light grey Country made Cloth Coat, with Side Pockets, red Legging tied with yellow Binding. He lived about the Eastern Branch o *Potowmack*. He has been punished for a former Desertion, and probably has some Marks of it of his Back.

Ignatius Jones, 23 Years old, born in *Maryland*, and enlisted with Mr. *Polſan*, at *Lower Marlborough*: He is 5 Feet 7 Inches and a half high, and of a dark Complexion. Had on a short blue Coat turn'd up with red

Peter Brillinger, or *Prelinger*, 28 Years old, a *Swiss*, or *Dutchman*, late of *Alexandria*, Butcher, and formerly lived, as he said, about *Manockasy*; he is 5 Feet 8 Inches and three Quarters high, of a dark, tho' jolly Complexion, and dark bushy Hair, is short neck'd, and round shouldered: He had on a very narrow brimmed Hat. He went away in Company with his Wife, who is a slender Woman.

Patrick Smith, enlisted by Mr. *Polſan*, at *Lower Marlborough*.

Whoever brings either of the three first mentioned Men to me, at *Winchester*, or to Major *John Carlyle*, at *Alexandria*, shall have Two Pistols Reward for each, and for the last mentioned One Pistole.

Joshua Fry.

THERE are at the Plantation of Capt. *Thomas Addiſon*, at *Giſborough*, at the Mouth of the Eastern Branch of *Potowmack* River, in *Prince George's* County, the undermentioned Cattle, *viz.* A Red and White Bull, marked with a Crop and under Bit and over Bit in the right Ear, and under half in the left.

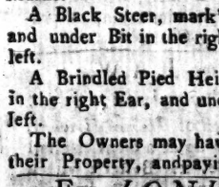
Two Red and White Heifers, with the same Marks.

A Black Steer, mark'd with a Crop and Slit and under Bit in the right Ear, and a Hole in the left.

A Brindled Pied Heifer, with a Swallow Fork in the right Ear, and under Bit and over Bit in the left.

The Owners may have them again, on proving their Property, and paying Charges.

For *LONDON* directly,



The good Ship HANBURY, JAMES CREAGH, *Commander*;

A new Veſſel, built at Annapolis, *ſtaunch, ſtrong, and well fitted, and now lying in the Ferry Branch of* Patapſco *River*,

WILL load TOBACCO on Freight, to be conſign'd to any of the *London* Merchants, without Exception, on the following Terms: At Five Pounds Sterling *per* Ton, of 4 Hogſheads if brought to the Ship's Side; or at Six Pounds Sterling *per* Ton, if fetch'd from any Landing whatever, at the Ship's Charge.

There is no doubt but this Veſſel will be early in her Departure, having near one Third of her Cargo provided for her.

For Freight or Paſſage apply as follows, *viz.*

Patrick Creagh, in *Annapolis*,
Daniel Chamier, at *Elk Ridge* Landing,
John Carnan, in *Baltimore Town*,
James Creagh, on board the ſaid Veſſel.

The Subſcriber, as Owner of the above named Veſſel, begs Leave to obſerve to all the Gentlemen Shippers to Meſſieurs *John Hanbury* and Company, that this Veſſel was intended for their Service, and that he was at an extraordinary Expence to get her finiſh'd in Time to have loaded laſt Fall, but could not ſucceed; he hopes, nevertheleſs, that the Goodneſs of the Veſſel, her being the Built of this Country, the Lowneſs of the Freight (a Conſideration to be much regarded now Tobacco is ſo low) and the Certainty of her being an early Veſſel, will induce them, and other Gentlemen Shippers to their Merchants, to give her the Preference of their Favours, which ſhall be gratefully acknowledged, by

Their very humble and obliged Servant,
Patrick Creagh.

JUST IMPORTED,

From LONDON, *in the* THAMES, *and to be Sold by the Subſcriber, at the Ferry Branch of* Patapſco,

CHESHIRE and *Glouceſterſhire* CHEESE, LEMONS, STRONG BEER and ALE, in Bottles and Caſk, LONDON PORTER in Barrels, choice CLARET in three Dozen Hampers, *French* WHITE WINE in Cheſts, each Cheſt containing thirty Flaſks, *China* and Earthen WARE, black OAKAM, and OSNABRIGS, with ſundry other GOODS too tedious to mention.

James Dobbins.

JACOB TROUGHTWINE, Doctor,

From GERMANY, *now ſettled at* FREDERICK-TOWN *near* Manockasy,

CURES the Country Diſtemper in Four Weeks; and will alſo undertake to cure a Wen without cutting of it; and ſundry other Cures; and deſires no Money until the Cure is compleated. Whoever has occaſion to apply to him, may enquire of *Michael Jeſſerang*, and be further informed.

Elk-Ridge, April 30, 1754.

JUST IMPORTED,

And to be SOLD, by the Subſcribers, at their Store, on Elk-Ridge *Landing, late in the Occupation of Mr.* ROWLAND CARNAN, *deceaſed*;

A CHOICE Aſſortment of *European* and *East India* GOODS, Rum, Sugar, Melaſſes, Pitch, Tar, Turpentine, Tallow, Bees and Myrtle Wax; for Caſh, Bills of Exchange, ſhort Credit, Tobacco, Wheat, Corn, Pork, Beef, Peaſe, or Oats. Thoſe Gentlemen who were ſo kind as to indulge Mr. *Rowland Carnan* with the Preference of their Favours, may depend on the ſame juſt and equitable Treatment, from

Their moſt humble and obliged Servants,
Chamier and *Carnan.*

WHEREAS little or no Regard has hitherto been paid to our Advertiſements, ſummoning all Perſons indebted to the Eſtate of Mr. CHARLES CARNAN, of *London*, Merchant, to come and ſettle their reſpective Debts: Theſe are therefore to acquaint them, that unleſs they pay forthwith, they will be ſued without further Notice at *June* Court; and that no Perſon may plead Ignorance of this our Reſolution, printed Advertiſements will be ſtuck up at all public Places; and as we are very deſirous to make Paſuch yments as eaſy as poſſible, Tobacco ſhipped on board the *Hanbury*, Capt. *Creagh*, and conſigned to us ſhall, for the Amount of its Nett Proceeds, be allowed a good and ſufficient Payment, and be eſteemed an Obligation conferred on

Their very humble Servants,
Chamier and *Carnan*,
Attorneys in Fact to the Truſtees to the Eſtate of Mr. *CHARLES CARNAN.*

ALL Perſons indebted to the Eſtate of Mr. ROWLAND CARNAN, late of this Province, who was unfortunately loſt on his Voyage to *England*, are hereby required to come and pay their reſpective Debts forthwith, otherwiſe they will be ſued at *June* Court without further Notice, as this Adminiſtration muſt be ſettled before *September* next; and, any Perſons having any Claim or Demand on the ſaid Eſtate are deſired to ſend in their Accounts proved, that the ſame may be diſcharged, by

D. Chamier,
J. Carnan, } Executors.

THE Subſcriber intending for *England* ſome Time near the Cloſe of the Year, requeſts the Favour of all Perſons having any Demands on him, contracted during his Reſidence in this Province, would ſend in their Accounts, that the ſame may be diſcharged before his Departure.

D. Chamier.

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of *John Baker*, in *Baltimore* County, taken up as a Stray, a ſmall Black Horſe, not branded nor ſtock'd.

The Owner may have him again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

May 9, 1754.

YESTERDAY was committed to my Cuſtody, on Suſpicion of being a Runaway, one *James Brown*, who denies he has any Maſter, and ſays he came into *York* River in *Virginia* about 3 Months ago, the Captain's Name *Taylor*, but the Ship's Name he has forgot; he ſpeaks much on the Brogue, has on a blue Cloth Coat and Breeches, a ſtriped Flannel Waiſtcoat, and Check Shirt; he is of a ſwarthy Complexion, with light brown Eyes.

His Maſter may have him again, on Application, paying the Fees, and Charge of this Advertiſement.

William Young,
Sheriff of *Baltimore* County.

JUST IMPORTED,

In Capt. COOLIDGE, CARROLL, *and* WHITE, *from* LONDON, *and to be Sold by the Subſcriber, at his Store in* UPPER MARLBOROUGH *on* Patuxent *River*,

GREAT Variety of *European* and *East India* GOODS, Sail Duck, Anchors, Grapnels, Cordage, Twine, Ship Chandlery, *&c. &c.* at the moſt reaſonable Rates, for Bills of Exchange, Caſh, or Tobacco.

Stephen Weſt.

NOTICE is hereby given to the Inhabitants of *Anne Arundel* County, That (as very little of the County Tax has this Year been paid in Money) they are requeſted to pay off their Dues by the Tenth of *June* (the time affix'd by Law) in Tobacco, that the Subſcriber may be enabled to pay the Officers and Clergy in the limitted Time, their reſpective Demands. Conſtant Attendance at my Office is given every Wedneſday and Thurſday, to ſettle with all ſuch Gentlemen as ſhall be pleaſed to call on

Their humble Servant,
Nathan Hammond, Sheriff
of *Anne Arundel* County.

To be Sold by Public Vendue,

On Wedneſday the 12*th of* June *next, at the Houſe of* Charles Wallace, *in* Annapolis,

THE following Tracts of Land, and Lots of Ground, belonging to the Eſtate of *William Peele*, deceaſed, *viz.*

Duvall's Range, containing 300 Acres, lying in *Anne Arundel* County, near the great Falls of *Patuxent* River, on both Sides of a Branch called *Hankeſi's Branch*.

Sympſon's Stones, containing 153 Acres, lying in *Anne Arundel* County, near *Huntington*.

Batchelor's Choice, containing 100 Acres, lying in *Anne Arundel* County, on the South Side of the main Falls of *Patapſco* River.

Joſeph's Favour, containing 100 Acres, lying in *Baltimore* County, on the Weſt Side of the great Falls of *Gunpowder* River, and on the North Side of a Run called *The Beaver Dam Run*.

Two Lots of Ground lying in that Part of *Annapolis* called the *New Town*, being N°. Q and L, on the laſt of which there is a Wooden Houſe, with two Brick Chimneys.

For Sterling or Current Money, by

James Mouat,
James Dick,
James Nicholſon, } Executors.

THE Subſcriber being removed to *Upper Marlborough*, all Perſons who have any Demands againſt him, contracted during his Reſidence at *Annapolis*, are deſired to ſend in their Accounts to Mr. *Dick*'s Store there, that they may be adjuſted and paid: And thoſe who are any Ways indebted to him, are requeſted to ſettle and pay off their reſpective Accounts to Mr. *James Dick*, who will grant proper Diſcharges for ſuch Payments.

Stephen Weſt.

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